RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

A statement showing the total area of *porambokes* classified and assigned during the last ten years (1090 to 1099 both inclusive) and the land value realised under the head "Capital" is laid on the table. (*Vide Appendix 8*). It is rather impracticable at present to collect and furnish the details called for in sub-questions i to iv, as several changes have taken place in the names of individuals as well as areas of fields, owing to transfers and sub-divisions during the last ten years. A detailed examination of a very large number of assignment and transfer of registry files of the last ten years in all revenue offices in the State will be necessary to collect all particulars necessary to compile a statement as asked for, which will involve considerable expenditure of time and labour which, the Government consider, public interests do not justify. The assignments have been effected in the names, either of the highest bidders in public auctions conducted, or of those determined in accordance with the principles and procedure laid down in the Land Revenue Manual. If the member requires information in respect of any field or fields assigned during the last ten years, he can easily obtain it from the Settlement registers and chittahs of the villages which are open to the public for inspection and for which special facilities will be afforded to all the members of this House by the Tahsildars.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH. (*Chalakkudi*).

Will not the original records and registers in the Diwan Peishkar's Office show the details called for ?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR. (*Diwan Peishkar*).

Yes, if those files are not already destroyed according to the rules.

Applications for Assignment of Porambokes.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH (*Chalakkudi*).

42. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of applications, now pending before the Government or disposed of within the last one year

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for assignment of *poramboke kole* areas showing in each case :—

i. Names in full of the applicants,

ii. Areas applied for, iii. Value offered.

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

A statement giving the information is laid on the table. (*Vide Appendix 9.*)

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH. (*Chalakkudi*).

Is Mr. Kattur Krishna Pisharodi—the name mentioned in it—the present Comptroller of Accounts ?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR. (*Diwan Peishkar*).

Yes.

Economic Survey of the State.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH (*Chalakkudi*).

43. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

i. Whether, along with the Census operations of 1921, an economic survey of the State was also undertaken ?

ii. Whether the Government received any report, embodying the results of the said survey, from the officer in charge of the work.

iii. If any such report has been received, why it has not yet been published ?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar.*)

The answer to parts (i) and (ii) is in the affirmative. The report contained very few suggestions for practical action by the State, which it has not already taken up, and hence it was not published.

Economic Survey of the State.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH (*Chalakkudi*).

44. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the reports, if any, in its possession, embodying the results of the survey referred to in 43 (i)?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

The report will be printed and a copy laid on the table.

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